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1. One of the vehicles for Soviet penetration in Bulgaria is the Union of Bulgarian-Soviet Associations, an organization which has approximately 1,800,000 members. It is under the direction of V. A. Perov, representative in Bulgaria of the Soviet Association for Foreign Cultural Relations. During the years 1950 and 1951, the Union held 185,665 meetings and conferences before 20,585,339 listeners (industrial workers, government clerks, cooperative farm members, students, etc.).
2. The Union also organized 20,509 expositions and posted 239,920 wall signs and provided for the press 58 brochures with a total circulation of 451,000 specimens, especially for the purpose of publicizing Soviet experience in the matter of production. The cinemas of the Union and others showed 9,562 Soviet films before approximately 3,331,000 spectators. The Union also organized Russian language courses for after-school hours; there were 5,773 of these courses, and the total attendance was approximately 115,000.

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